

Amendments to the Claims:

The claims below replace all prior versions and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A system for communicating with an at least one external device, comprising:

a display;

a customizable share menu that is displayable on the display and which comprises a plurality of selectable icons that respectively correspond to selected tasks or actions that may be performed by a user, and which initiate a through connection with the external device, and, when selected, cause the selected task or action to be performed on the external device in a preprogrammed manner;

wherein a kiosk operating as one of the external devices communicates identifying information to a digital camera operating as the system that identifies the ~~external device~~ kiosk and its capabilities, and in response, the system digital camera configures with icons the share menu according to the capabilities of the ~~external device~~ kiosk and shows the user specific capabilities that cannot be performed by the ~~external device~~ kiosk by graying out from the share menu intended actions that cannot be performed by the ~~external device~~ kiosk; and

a device configuration module of the digital camera that configures a customized kiosk device driver for the ~~external device~~ kiosk so that the ~~external device~~ kiosk can communicate its capabilities directly to the digital camera by way of specific kiosk device identifying information ~~if the external device kiosk is not a readily available device type~~;

and wherein, in response to selecting one of the one or more selectable icons to perform a desired task, the system checks whether the selection that has been made matches the capabilities of the connected external device and if the selection matches the external device capabilities, performs the desired task by communicating between the user device and the external device.

2. (currently amended) The system recited in claim 1 ~~which comprises a digital camera~~ wherein one of the external devices comprises a personal digital assistant (PDA) cell phone.

3. (original) The system recited in claim 1 wherein the tasks are selected from a group consisting of printing, e-mailing, archiving and downloading data from the system.

4. (currently amended) The system recited in claim 1 wherein one of the external devices comprises a printer.

5. (currently amended) The system recited in claim 1 wherein one of the external devices comprises a computer.

6. (currently amended) The system recited in claim 1 wherein one of the external devices comprises a wireless telephone.

7. (currently amended) A method comprising the steps of;

configuring a user device to have a share menu that is displayable on a display of the user device and which comprises one or more selectable icons that correspond to selected tasks or actions that may be performed by a user;

connecting the user device to ~~an~~ at least one external device;

communicating identifying information from a kiosk operating as the external device to a digital camera operating as the user device that identifies the external device and its capabilities;

configuring the share menu according to the capabilities of the ~~external device~~ kiosk selecting one of the one or more selectable icons to perform a desired task;

showing the user specific capabilities that cannot be performed by the ~~external device~~ kiosk by graying out from the share menu intended actions that cannot be performed by the ~~external device~~ kiosk;

configuring a customized kiosk device driver for the ~~external device~~ kiosk ~~if the external device is not a readily available device type~~ the kiosk so that the ~~external device~~ kiosk can communicate its capabilities directly to the digital camera by way of specific device identifying information;

checking whether the selection that has been made matches the capabilities of the connected ~~external device~~ kiosk; and

if the selection matches the ~~external device~~ kiosk's capabilities, performing the desired task by communicating between the ~~user device and the external device~~ kiosk and the digital camera.

8. (original) The method recited in claim 7 wherein the step of communicating uses a predetermined connection protocol.

9. (original) The method recited in claim 7 wherein the step of communicating uses a file system.

10. (currently amended) The method recited in claim 7 wherein the user external device comprises a ~~digital camera~~ personal digital assistant (PDA) cell phone.

11. (original) The method recited in claim 7 wherein the tasks are selected from a group consisting of printing, e-mailing, archiving and downloading data from the system.

12. (currently amended) The method recited in claim 7 wherein one of the external devices comprises a printer.

13. (currently amended) The method recited in claim 7 wherein one of the external devices comprises a computer.

14. (currently amended) The method recited in claim 7 wherein one of the external devices comprises a wireless telephone.

15. (currently amended) A system for communicating ~~with~~ between a digital camera and an external personal digital assistant (PDA) device, comprising:

a display on the digital camera; and

customizable displayable sharing means that is presentable on the display of the digital camera and which comprises a plurality of selectable icons that respectively correspond to selected tasks or actions that may be performed by a user, for initiating a ~~through connection with~~ between the digital camera and the external PDA device and a kiosk, and for causing a selected task or action to be performed on the external PDA device and the kiosk in a preprogrammed manner;

wherein the customizable displayable sharing means shows the user specific capabilities that cannot be performed by the external PDA device and the kiosk by graying out from the share menu intended actions that cannot be performed by the external PDA device and the kiosk; and

a device configuration module that configures a customized device driver for the external PDA device and the kiosk so that the external PDA device and the kiosk can communicate ~~its~~ their respective capabilities by way of specific device identifying information of the PDA device and the kiosk ~~if the external device is not a readily available device type~~.

16. (original) The system recited in claim 15 wherein the external device communicates identifying information to the system that identifies the external device and its capabilities, and in response, the system configures the share menu according to the capabilities of the external device.

17. (original) The system recited in claim 15 wherein, in response to selecting one of the one or more selectable icons to perform a desired task, the system checks whether the selection that has been made matches the capabilities of the connected external device, and if the selection matches the external device capabilities, performs the desired task by communicating between the user device and the external device.